Greenville County COVID-19 Responses

CDBG- CV & ESG CV



Community
Development Block
Grant and Emergency
Solutions Grant – CD

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The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) makes supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding for grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (CDBG-CV and ESG-CV grants).

CARES Act - 2020

CARES Act FUNDING Greenville County COVID-19 Allocation

- ☐ Emergency Solutions Grant Decent Housing
 - ☐ ESG-CV grant **\$804,966**

- ☐ Community Development Block Grant
 - ☐ CDBG-CV grant: \$1,640,656

Greenville County – COVID – 19 Proposed Activities

Emergency Solutions Grant - CV

- Administration
- Subrecipient Case management
- Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Rental Assistance and Utilities
- HMIS

Community Development Block Grant - CV

- Administration
- Subrecipient Case management
- Prevention Rental Assistance and Utilities
- Food and Nutrition Assistance
- Medical & Testing Assistance
- Mortgage Assistance
- Charity Tracker license
- Medical Safety Supplies
- Small Business Financial Assistance

Budget Draft Allocations – ESG & CDBG-CV

Proposed Activities	ESG-CV Activities			CDBG-CV Activities			
							Total ESG/CDBG CV
Allocations	ESG-CV	%age	Proposed #	CDBG-CV	%age	Proposed #	Funds
ACTIVITIES:	\$804,966			\$1,640,656			\$2,445,622
Planning and Administration	\$80,497	10	NA	\$295,318	18	NA	\$375,815
Subrecipients	\$120,745	15	4	\$196,879	12	6	\$317,624
Housing Assistance - Rental							
Assistance	\$500,000	62	300 HHS	\$200,000	12	150 HHs	\$700,000
Utility Assistance	\$60,000	7	200 HHS	\$100,000	6	200 HHs	\$160,000
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HMIS	\$43,724	5	2	\$0	0		\$43,724
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Food and Nutrition Assistance	\$0			\$300,000	18	subs	\$300,000
Medical Testing and or Supplies Assistance	\$0			\$80,000	5	200	\$80,000
Mortgage Assistance	\$ 0			\$300,000	18	100 - HHs	\$300,000
Small Business - Assistance	\$0			\$168,459	10	10 bus	\$168,459
Charity Tracker license	\$0			\$0			\$0
Total	\$804,966	100		\$1,640,656	100		\$2,445,621
Balance to appropriate	\$0			\$0			\$0

Emergency Solutions Grant - CV Rental and Utility Assistance

United Housing Connections

Greenville County Human Relations

HMIS – Clients Data Management Software

Rapid Rehousing Activity – Literally Homeless

Income eligibility – No limit

SHARE

Prevention – At Risk of Homelessness

Income Eligibility – up to 50% **AMI**

Approved Request – Send to GCRA for **Vendor Payments**

Prevention – At Risk of Homelessness

From 51% AMI - transfer to CDBG Subrecipients for assistance

Community Development Block Grant - CV Rental and Utility Assistance - Prevention

Recommended— CDBG Subrecipients - Housing Assistance GCHR, Greer Relief & SHARE (Open to additional Subrecipients — via RFP)

Charity Tracker Client Data Management Software

Prevention – At Risk of Homelessness

Income Eligibility – from 51% AMI

Approved Request – Send to GCRA for Vendor Payments

Planning and Administration - GCRA

- Amendment to the Annual Action Plan
- Budget and allocation of funds
- Prepare resolutions for County Council approvals
- Submit plans to HUD for approval
- Prepare applications and review proposals from Subrecipients
- Conduct Virtual Public meetings.
- Prepare contracts for selected Subrecipients.
- Monitor subrecipients activities in accordance with Agreements and consistent with HUD guidelines
- Prepare quarterly and annual reports as required by HUD.
- Process all vendor payments
- Conduct Final Program Monitoring on all subrecipients
- Prepare program close out reports as required for HUD review and approval.

ESG - CV - Rental & Utility

- Three Subrecipients will be selected United Housing Connections, SHARE, and Greenville Human Relations.
- Data management HMIS software
- Three Case managers representing each agency for Rapid Rehousing and Prevention for client intake and assessments.
- Additional HMIS coordinator(s) for data quality control and oversight.
- Income eligibility for Prevention clients up to 50% AMI. (clients exceeding 50% AMI to be referred for CDBG funding).
- Income eligibility for Rapid Rehousing: Up to 80% AMI.
- Up to \$3,000 per client financial assistance.
- Direct financial assistance for 3rd party vendors paid via GCRA
- Duration of Assistance: March 27, 2020 July 31, 2020; reassessment required for continual assistance after July 31, 2020.

CDBG – Rental and Utility assistance

- Up to four (4)subrecipients will be selected for intake and assessment of clients.
- Data intake assessment will be via Charity Tracker software to coordinate services and track assistance provided to clients.
- Target income: 51% AMI to 80% AMI
- Target Assistance: Prevention only.
- Period of Assistance: March 27, 2020 to July 31, 2020. Reassessment required after July 31, 2020 for continual assistance.
- Up to \$4,000 Financial Assistance per household/individual
- Waiver of Inspection of properties
- Proof: lease agreement, letter from employer, self certification.
- Direct payment to third payment vendor from GCRA upon receipt of draw request from Subrecipients for finance assistance for clients.
- Subrecipients case managers monthly payment request with proof of paystub.

Food and Nutrition Assistance Up to Six subrecipients will be selected to assist.

- Provide food supplies to families and individuals in unincorporated area of Greenville County and 5 municipalities (Fountain Inn, Greer, Mauldin, Simpsonville, and Travelers Rest, outside city limit of Greenville.
- Maximum allocation per Agency: \$50,000 (up to 10% as program activity cost).
- Data intake: Short form self certification for proof of income.
- Reimbursement to Agencies, upon submission of draw request with supporting invoices from third party vendors.
- Note: This program must be part of your existing activity and must indicate your proposed delivery systems on how seniors and households living with disabilities will be served/assisted.

Mortgage Assistance

- Recommendation: Greenville County Human Relation as the intake and assessment agency.
- Period of Assistance: April 1, 2020 July 31, 2020. Reassessment of eligibility conducted after 3 months of assistance.
- Maximum assessment: \$4,000 per client.
- Self Certification documentation can be accepted as proof of income.
 - * with additional documentations as required by GCHR.

Small Business Financial Assistance

- Up to 2 subrecipients selected.
- Small business owners in Greenville County outside City limits of Greenville.
- All GCRA recipients of Business loans that have indicated financial hardship and COVID-19 impact - eligible for assistance.
- Amount of Assistance: Up to \$10,000 per business.
- Program Activity fee (10 15 percent)
- Forgivable loan for 5 years (20% per year).
- Must show continual retention/employment of at least one low and moderate income individual.
- Businesses located in Low and Moderate Income Area are eligible via Area Benefit qualification. Businesses with limited clientele (seniors of persons living with disability) are also eligible.

Medical Supplies and Testing

- Selection of up to 2 subrecipients
- Provide protective medical supplies and testing to Low and moderate income families.
- Use of Charity Tracker for data entries and assessments.
- Reimbursement payments to subrecipients upon receipt of request for payment and third party vendor invoices consistent with amount requested.

General Requirements

- Subrecipient Selection: (Case management intake and assessment rental & utility assistance)
 - ESG subrecipients Case managers will be required to conduct intake and clients' assessment to determine eligibility for approval. Individual proposals will be received from each subrecipients for case management Rapid Rehousing and Prevention service fees.
 - ESG HMIS for licenses, data and quality management of information.
 - CDBG CV: Proposal format for all interested non-profit agencies with existing programs on rental, mortgage, medical, food supplies and small business assistance programs. Case management housing service fee should be submitted for intake and assessment for Prevention of homelessness (households of income 51%-80% AMI).
- Period of Assistance and Services: From March 27, 2020 July 31, 2020; Reassessment of clients after July for continuity (Rental Assistance, Mortgage and Business assistance)

Schedule

- Proposals Availability: May 14 22, 2020
- Submission Due Date: May 22, 2020 @ 1pm.
- Virtual training: May 18, 2020 @ 10:30 am.
- GCRA Board Approval: May 26, 2020

Questions and Comments